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Dear Executive Director Snow:

Because my father-in-law has property in one of the areas that CalFed has its sights on to flood for a new reservoir, I have been alerted to this 40 million dollar, going on 10 billion dollar, boondoggle.

In order to express an opposing opinion one feels one needs to state the obvious, and acknowledge the greed, avarice and political shenanigans that are involved in this proposal. If Southern California wants to develop and overpopulate beyond what their resources can logically handle, let them look West not North to do so. They've used and abused their own regional assets. If they must continue their myopic behavior, let them develop desalinization as a viable alternative and leave the rest of us out of it.

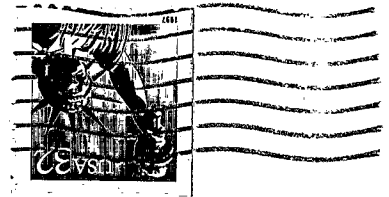
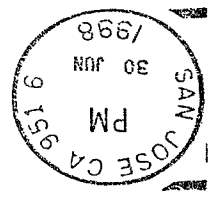
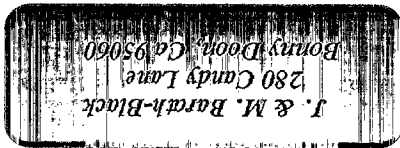
CalFed's mandate to repair and enhance the Sacramento River basin watershed, does not and should not include diversion of any water beyond that basin. Please, do not listen to the spurious reasoning of your 40 million dollar vested advisors. They/you have plenty to focus on without spending tax dollars fighting for alternatives that will be challenged for years to come by a citizenry that has already spoken clearly on this issue. CalFed, get out of politics and do your job.

Please enter these comments into the formal record for your Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Report and Statement.

Sincerely,



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